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Federal Opportunities

Rehabilitation Training: Rehabilitation Long-Term Training--Vocational Rehabilitation Counseling. *The Department of Education (DOED)* announces funds for projects that provide basic or advanced training leading to an academic degree in areas of personnel shortages in rehabilitation. Eligible applicants include States and public or nonprofit agencies and organizations, including institutions of higher education. The deadline for applications is March 7, 2003. Approximately \$4.8 million is available to fund 32 awards ranging from \$125,000 to \$150,000. For further information, contact Beverly Steburg at (404) 562-6336 or Beverly.Steburg@ed.gov or see: <http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2003/03-869.htm>.

This grant program is subject to "Intergovernmental Review" under Executive Order 12372.

District Opportunities

Electronic Grants Clearinghouse. *The DC Office of Partnerships and Grants Development* is the clearinghouse for the Government of the District of Columbia's grant programs. Notices and application packets are still available at http://opgd.dc.gov/info/grant/funding_grants/index.shtml for the following notices:

The Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development, Commercial Property and Acquisition Program, due February 18, 2003.

Foundation Opportunities

Education and Social Improvement. *The Zoe Life Enrichment Foundation (ZLEF)* was created to empower churches and ministries to fill a needed role of cooperatively working with both government and community to improve the overall condition of our society; one person, one family at a time. The foundation provides programmatic funding support in the areas of educational enlightenment and social improvement; it provides technical assistance in the form of project assistance, organizational assistance, and strategic planning. Eligible applicants include 501(c)3 nonprofit organizations that provide services in the above mentioned program areas. A Letter of Interest is the first step in the application process. The deadline for Letters of Interest is April 15, 2003. For more information about the foundation, its programs, and its application requirements, go to: <http://www.zoefoundation.org>.

Financial Education. *The American Express Foundation and the National Endowment for Financial Education® (NEFE®)* are seeking applications for financial education projects whose purpose is to increase the financial literacy of underserved segments of the population in ways that develop skills leading to positive changes in money management behaviors. The focus is on organizations operating at the community level, which may or may not have affiliations with state, regional, and national groups. Multi-organizational partnerships are acceptable. Eligible applicants include 501(c)3 nonprofit organizations whose clients are representative of underserved audiences - including individuals moving from welfare to work, immigrants, new workers, and young employees - who would benefit from financial literacy education.

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The deadline for applications is March 7, 2003. A minimum of \$500,000 will be awarded in 2003 to approximately 20 nonprofit organizations; grants will range from \$15,000 to \$30,000 for financial education projects of 12-24 months in duration. For more information and to access the application, please see: <http://www.nefe.org/amexeconfundrfp/>.

HIV/AIDS. *Cable Positive's Tony Cox Community Fund* exists to encourage AIDS organizations and local cable systems to work together in joint community outreach efforts, or to produce and distribute new, locally focused HIV/AIDS-related programs and public service announcements (PSAs). In 2003, Cable Positive will allocate \$100,000 to support two grant cycles. Eligible local community outreach projects include, but are not limited to: National HIV Testing Day (June 27) and World AIDS Day (December 1) events, AIDS Rides/Walks, and other joint efforts between AIDS organizations and local cable operators. Funding is also available for production costs of HIV/AIDS-related programs and PSAs. Eligible applicants include 501(c)3 organizations, with special consideration given to AIDS service organizations (ASOs) and cable systems and producers partnering with ASOs. The deadline for applications is March 14, 2003. Grants of up to \$5,000 will be available. For more information about Cable Positive's Tony Cox Community Fund and to download an application, please see: <http://www.cablepositive.org/programs-tonycox.html>.

Service Learning. *State Farm* supports service-learning, which links community service with academic study and has been shown to improve academic performance, cultivate tolerance, instill civic responsibility, and enhance workforce readiness. The Good Neighbor Service-Learning Award enables youth and educators to bring the positive benefits of service-learning to more young people on National Youth Service Day. Eligible applicants include young people ages 5-25 and teachers to implement service-learning projects for National Youth Service Day 2003 (April 11-13). The deadline for applications is February 28, 2003. Fifty grants of \$500 each will be awarded to young people and fifty grants of \$1,500 each will be awarded to teachers (to engage classes). For more information and application, see http://www.ysa.org/awards/award_grant.cfm.

Youth Service. *The AT&T Foundation*, in partnership with *Youth Service America*, is providing funding for the Youth Service Action Fund to help young people engage in community service on National Youth Service Day and beyond. National Youth Service Day mobilizes youth to identify and address the needs of their communities through service, recruit the next generation of volunteers, and education the public about year-round contributions of young people as community leaders. Eligible applicants include both young people ages 5-25 and organizations to plan and implement service projects for National Youth Service Day 2003 (April 11-13). The deadline for applications is February 28, 2003. Twenty-five grants of \$500 each will be awarded. For more information and application, see http://www.ysa.org/awards/award_grant.cfm.

Resources & Announcements

Immigration Information. *Grantmakers Concerned with Immigrants and Refugees (GCIR)* is a national network of foundations interested in issues affecting the growing newcomer populations in their communities across the U.S. and in Canada. Its website provides a wealth of information on statistics, policies, directory of funders, and other resources. The website is: <http://www.gcir.org/index.htm>.

Master Business License Deadline Extended. *The DC City Council* voted to extend the grace period for obtaining a Master Business License (MBL) to May 31, 2003, for all individuals and organizations doing business in the District. The extended grace period will go into effect immediately. For information on the Master Business License program, visit the Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs (DCRA) web site at www.dkra.dc.gov - or contact the MBL Info Center at (202) 442-4311 or mbl.infocenter@dc.gov.

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